

**BOARD OF MAYOR
AND COMMISSIONERS**

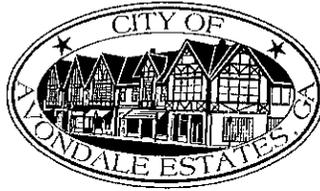
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TERRY GIAGER
MAYOR PRO TEM

RANDY BEEBE
COMMISSIONER

BRIAN FISHER
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ADELA YELTON
COMMISSIONER



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CITY MANAGER

GINA HILL
CITY CLERK

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CITY ATTORNEY

STEPHEN W. NICHOLAS
CITY JUDGE

**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING**

June 15, 2016

5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Members Present: Jonathan Elmore, Mayor
Terry Giager, Mayor Pro Tem
Randy Beebe, Commissioner
Brian Fisher, Commissioner

Members Absent: Adela Yelton, Commissioner

Staff Present: Clai Brown, City Manager
Keri Stevens, City Planner

Item No. 1 Meeting Called to Order

Item No. 2 Adoption of Agenda
Mayor Elmore moves to adopt agenda. Commissioner Beebe seconds. All ayes.

Item No. 3 Receive public comment on the 2016 Tax Millage Rate

Joe Anziano/3242 Wiltshire Dr: What is the proposed millage rate?

City Manager Brown: The most current rollback rate is 9.485%. The Board has placed a placeholder millage rate of 10.957% which would be an increase in property taxes of 15.5%. The placeholder is there while the Board deliberates what other expenses might be encountered, such as paving roads. The current budget only allows for running the operations of the City. It doesn't allow for any additional funds to pave roads. Another project is replacing the public works building. There are other items as well and they're posted on the website. There will be a special called meeting right after this for the first reading. It will be discussed in our work session right after that. There will be another reading this coming Monday the 20th and then there's a special called meeting and other public hearing on the 20th as well. Then there's another public meeting on June 29th. The 29th is the date that it will be adopted so the Board needs to make a decision by then.

Mayor Elmore: Last year's digest was right at \$175 million, which is 40% of the actual value. It's projected 2016 will be \$188 million. Last August we submitted a budget to the state. The state says based on your budget, your millage rate should be a certain number and that's the rollback. We set the placeholder higher which we do every year. It's just a placeholder. Based on our bare bones budget with nothing in it, that's the rollback. So if we go above and beyond that for things like roads, what would it be?

Mayor Pro Tem Giager: Where are we now?

City Manager Brown: 9.957.

Mayor Pro Tem Giager: According to the state, anything above the rollback of 9.485 is considered a tax increase even if it's lower than last year's. One reason annexation of commercial property has been discussed is because we knew we were looking at infrastructure repairs. We want to be fair and open and that's why there are several meetings and discussions about this. So please bear with us.

Candace Jones/9 Fairfield Dr: Is the 15% above our current rate or the rollback rate?

City Manager Brown: Rollback rate.

Candace Jones/9 Fairfield Dr: I'm in favor of it. I know the City has needs and I'd prefer to start taking care of them now. They're just going to get more expensive.

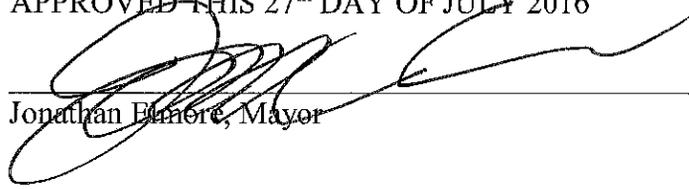
Mayor Pro Tem Giager: You're right. In the bids we've put out, it seems that fixing things before they get worse is more cost effective.

Item No. 4

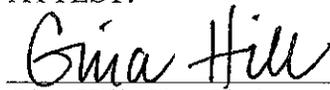
Adjournment

Commissioner Fisher moves to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Giager seconds. All ayes.

APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF JULY 2016


Jonathan Elmore, Mayor

ATTEST:


Gina Hill, City Clerk